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Filed: November 24, 1999

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the Patent Office's request of April 18, 2001, attached as Appendix B is a copy of the marked-up amendment made to the specification in the Amendment of April 21, 2001 and Appendix C a clean copy of that amendment.

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APPENDIX B

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